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NOUMAN ALI KHAN – A BOGUS 'MUFASSIR'

The following is the response of a Student of Deen responding to the view of a bogus 'mufassir' pertaining to beating wives:

Someone recently sent me a clip of Nouman Ali Khan - a popular "Mufassir" and Arabic teacher. In the clip, he relates a Hadith saying, "Do not hit the female slaves of Allah", and proceeds to emphasise how hitting is "abuse" and completely forbidden.

I have attached the audio with this email.

I checked for the narration he is citing and found that he had committed blatant deception by omitting the rest of the narration. In summary, he omits the following crucially relevant parts of the particular narration he is citing:

1) After Rasulullah ﷺ initially forbade hitting, the women went out of control. They became emboldened and started behaving badly with their husbands

2) When Umar (radiyallahu anhu) complained of this to Rasulullah ﷺ, he gave permission to the Sahabah (radiyallahu anhum) to hit their wives by saying "Hit them".

3) After the Sahabah (radhiyallahu anhum) then dealt with their wives' misbehaviour by hitting them, many of the women went to complain to Rasulullah

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4) Rasulullah ﷺ did not then reinstate the prohibition. He only encouraged them not to, by saying that those who hit are not the best.

Furthermore, he omits to mention that the permission is upheld by numerous other authentic Hadith and, most importantly and undeniably, the verse of the Qur'an.

(End of the Student's Response)

Comment

The purpose of this rebuttal of the baseless view of the bogus 'mufassir' is not to encourage beating women, especially in this era when marriages are regarded as some sport to be broken and ruined on the basis of flimsy and haraam pretexts.

The need for refuting the bogus 'mufassir' is to assert the Truth by rejecting the falsehood which the crank propagates to appease modern women who are contaminated with lesbian tendencies.

While it is undeniable that it is not permissible to beat wives for gratifying one's anger and the nafs, just as it is not permissible to beat children for such nafsani reasons, the Qur'aanic fact is that it is permissible to beat them lightly when there is valid reason. Anyone who denies this Qur'aanic command loses his Imaan.

Allah Ta'ala states in the Qur'aan Majeed:

"Men are the rulers over women.....Regarding those women whose disobedience you fear, advise them (give them naseehat), separate them from (your) beds, and beat them. Then if they obey you, do not then commit excess on them. Verily, Allah is Most High, The Greatest."

(An-Nisaa', Aayat 34)

The 'beating' permitted by the Qur'aan is explained in the Hadith as light beating and as a last resort. No one encourages beating wives. But to deny the validity of this Qur'aanic command is KUFR –kufr which expels one from the fold of Islam.